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INAUGURATE SPECIAL TELEGRAM SERVICE

AVAILABLE AT RR STATIONS -- Ziemia Pomorska, No 356, 29 Dec 49

To facilitate the use of the State Telegraph Network, a special limited and regular auxiliary telegraph service at railroad stations and on certain trains has been inaugurated.

The limited service at railroad stations covers state, official, and private business messages within the railroad area, and messages sent by PKP (Polish State Railways) clients pertaining to freight shipments. Regular service includes all other private domestic messages. Railroad stations are open for auxiliary service 24 hours a day.

The Office of Posts and Telegraphs in the Gdansk Region will give unlimited telegraph service at the following stations: Aleksandrow Kujawski * Brodnica, Bydgoszcz *, Chelmno, Chelmza, Chojnice, Czersk, Elblag, Gdansk Główny *, Gdynia * Grudziadz, Inowroclaw *, Jablonowo Pomorskie, Kartuzy, Kcynia, Kornatowo, Koscierzyzna, Kowalewo, Kwidzyn, Laskowice, Lebork, Maksymilianowo, Malbork, Naklo on the Notec, Nowy Dwor Gdanski, Puck, Reda, Runowo Krainskie, Smetowo, Sopot, Starogard, Tczew, Terespol Pomorski, Torun *, Torun Mokre, Unislaw, Wejherowo, Wiecebork, Wloclawek, Zajaczkowo near Lubawa.

Stations marked (*) are also authorized to handle international messages on the European continent.

Conductors on certain trains, as indicated on train schedules, are also authorized to handle telegraph messages. Messages sent from trains are limited to 15 words including the address and signature.

Regular rates apply for this special service.

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INSTALL DIAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM IN SWIECIE -- Ziemia Pomorska, No 347, 18 Dec 49

Installation of a dial telephone central at the Post Office in Swiecie will be completed ahead of schedule. The central is being built entirely by Polish engineers and workers under the supervision of the State Radio and Telecommunication Enterprises.

The central will be completed by 31 December 1949, within the Three-Year Plan. Since old telephone instruments will have to be replaced by dial instruments, service will not be available to the public before April 1950. The dial telephone service will include the village of Przechowo. Telephone operators will handle only long-distance calls.

BYDGOSZCZ PHONE SERVICE DEFECTIVE -- Ziemia Pomorska, No 327, 28 Nov 49

It was almost a hopeless task to get a telephone connection in Bydgoszcz during the last 2 weeks of November, while the central and dial services were undergoing repairs. The repairs were necessary because damp weather in Bydgoszcz has been affecting the sensitive Erickson equipment and creating short circuits in the network.

The repairs will be completed soon and normal service will be restored. In the meantime, subscribers are requested not to tie up lines by leaving their receivers off the hook.

Only 70 of the 2,800 Bydgoszcz subscribers can get connections at any one time. Between 0900 and 1500 hours, therefore, calls should be limited to the most urgent cases.

The telephone situation in Bydgoszcz will greatly improve when the Erickson system, now totaling 3,000 numbers, is increased to 3,500. Extension of the central is already underway.

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